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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, submitted herewith is a copy of the reference listed below and on the accompanying Form PTO-1449.

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**Foreign Patent**

German Patent No. 4429 - A complete translation of this German Patent Document is enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the reference identified herein and make it of record in the instant application as required by M.P.E.P. §609.

The reference listed in this IDS comprises the most pertinent prior art known to applicant and its attorneys as of the date hereof. This IDS should not be construed as a representation that the cited reference is material or that no better art exists.

It is requested that the Examiner initial the enclosed duplicate substitute PTO Form 1449, and return one copy to Applicants' undersigned representative with the next action.

Respectfully submitted,

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